



Commendation

DANIEL QUINN

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It is with great pleasure that I present you with the 2006 State Manager of the Year Award in recognition of your outstanding efforts to preserve and protect the resources of the State Park system while providing a clean, safe, and enjoyable environment for all park visitors.

Overseeing the State's 69 parks, sites, and monuments encompassing nearly 25,000 acres across the State is a monumental endeavor which you have undertaken with immense pride, dedication, and determination. Under your leadership, a multi-year capital improvement program was implemented to make necessary repairs and improvements to our state parks – the first major renovation of state park facilities in over 40 years. In addition, parks, campsites, and monuments have been retro-fitted and altered so that individuals with disabilities have access to our natural resources.

By your partnering with community groups in the protection of Hawai'i's natural and cultural resources, the community now has an active role in the upkeep and maintenance of many of Hawai'i's parks and cultural sites and is able to give back to the aina. In 2005, one partnership revitalized the Sand Island State Recreation Area ball fields and constructed a canoe hale.

The State appreciates your spirit and unfailing dedication. We thank you for helping to breathe new life into the State's aging park facilities.

Aloha,


LINDA LINGLE

